

REMARKS

2 Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the  
3 subject application. Claims 7-13 are pending in the application.

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5 Allowed Claims

6 Claims 7-13 are allowed. Applicant thanks the Examiner for this indication  
7 of allowance. These claims remain unchanged and pending in the application.

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9 Claim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

10 Claims 1-6 and 14-27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being  
11 unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,402,187 to Ezaki in view of U.S. Patent No.  
12 6,594,825 to Goldschmidt Iki et al.

13 Claims 1-6 and 14-27 are canceled to expedite allowance of this  
14 application. These claims will be pursued in a continuation application.

1           Conclusion

2       Claims 7-13 are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests  
3       prompt allowance of the subject application. If any issue remains unresolved that  
4       would prevent allowance of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact the  
5       undersigned attorney to resolve the issue.

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7           Date: Oct. 22, 2004

Respectfully Submitted,

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